

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 GENEVA 08897 261820Z

56

ACTION ORM-02

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 IO-10 ISO-00 DHA-02 INSE-00 SCA-01 VO-03

AID-05 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 SSO-00 /041 W

----- 045651

P R 261747Z NOV 75

FM USMISSION GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7009

INFO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE GENEVA 8897

DEPARTMENT PASS OTHER ADDRESSEES AS DESIRED

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF

SUBJ: KURDISH REFUGEES

REF: A. STATE 270937

B. TEHRAN 11490

1. HA COUNSELOR MET WITH DEPUTY UNHCR MACE THIS MORNING AT LATTER'S REQUEST TO DISCUSS KURDISH REFUGEE SITUATION BASED ON TELEGRAPHIC REPORT FROM UNHCR REP TEHRAN. REPORT ESSENTIALLY STATED EMBASSY TEHRAN PROCEEDING TO PROCESS "UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF KURDS" AND LISTED PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATIONS, ASSURANCES, MEDICAL EXAMS AND SECURITY CHECKS. TELEGRAM EXPRESSED HOPE THAT TRANSMISSION OF ONLY 300 INS FORMS NOT INDICATIVE OF ACTUAL NUMBERS TO BE TAKEN BY US. ALSO RAISED QUESTION WHETHER USG MAKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH VOLAGS, AND WHICH VOLAGS SPECIFICALLY UNDERTAKING SPONSORSHIP. NOTED USG EXPECTS UNHCR MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TEMPORARY ENTRY GERMANY BUT NO MENTION MADE OF CARE AND MAINTENANCE, AND REQUESTS CLARIFICATION. TELEGRAM ENDS BY NOTING ADVANTAGES OF CONDUCTING INS INTERVIEW IN TEHRAN BUT STATES IN VIEW APPARENT UNLIKELYHOOD OF CHANGE IN DECISION PROCEEDING WITH NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR PARTIAL PROCESSING.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 GENEVA 08897 261820Z

2. MACE PROVIDED HA REP WITH AIDE MEMOIRE SETTING FORTH

BACKGROUND OF KURDISH REFUGEE SITUATION AND USG OFFER ACCEPT "FAIR SHARE" OF CASELOADS, WITH CONDITIONS FOR PROCESSING. AIDE MEMOIRE REVIEWS ADVANTAGES UNHCR PERCEIVES IN INS PROCESSING IN TEHRAN, WHICH ALREADY FAMILIAR TO DEPARTMENT. THESE INCLUDE AVOIDANCE OF ADDITIONAL EXPENSES WITHIN IRAN, EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL STRESS OF DOUBLE TRANSPORTATION OF REFUGEES, AND ADDITIONAL COSTS OF TRANSIT THROUGH FRANKFURT OR OTHER EUROPEAN POINT WHICH UNHCR PLACES AT BETWEEN \$300,000 AND \$400,000. LATTER FIGURE INCLUDES PAYMENT FOR JOURNEY EUROPE TO US, WHICH IT STATES IRANIANS MIGHT OTHERWISE COVER ON DIRECT FLIGHT FROM TEHRAN TO US. IT ALSO ESTIMATES MAINTENANCE IN EUROPE FOR AVERAGE OF 14 DAYS IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$100,000. NOTING THAT AUSTRIA, DENMARK, UK AND CANADA WILL PROCESS REFUGEES IN TEHRAN, AIDE MEMOIRE CONCLUDES WITH RECOMMENDATION FOR DETAIL OF INS OFFICER TO IRAN.

3. AFTER ABOVE PRESENTATIONS, MACE EMPHASIZED THAT UNHCR IN NO WAY ATTEMPTING PRESENT OBSTACLES TO PROGRAM, BUT SINCERELY ENDEAVORING TO BE HELPFUL. HOWEVER, HE CONTINUED, THEY ARE NOW IN NEED OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR BASIC PROGRAM PLANNING PURPOSES. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS PUT AS FOLLOWS:

A) UNHCR ASSUMES USG MAKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH VOLAGS FOR REFUGEES. IS ASSUMPTION CORRECT? WHICH VOLAGS MAY BE INVOLVED?

B) IS UNHCR EXPECTED TO PROCEED WITH GERMAN ARRANGEMENTS? SHOULD IT GET IN TOUCH NOW WITH FRG FOR CLEARANCES? HAS US FORMALLY NOTIFIED EMBASSY IN BONN?

C) WHAT IS USG'S BEST ESTIMATE OF NUMBERS IT WILL TAKE AS FAIR SHARE? WHAT DOES USG ESTIMATE AS FLOW PATTERN, I.E., HOW MANY REFUGEES AT ANY TIME?

D) WHAT IS BEST ESTIMATE OF LENGTHS OF STAY IN FRANKFURT OR OTHER PROCESSING POINT? WHERE WILL REFUGEES STAY IN FRANKFURT? HOTELS? CAMPS? WHO WILL PAY?

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 GENEVA 08897 261820Z

E) WHO WILL FUND TRANSPORTATION FRANKFURT TO US?

4. MESSAGE CONTAINED CARLIN/BRENNAN TELECON NOV. 25 RE ADEQUACY TIME AVAILABLE FOR ORDERLY PLANNING PASSED MACE WHO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION.

5. PLS ADVISE RE PARA. 3.DALE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: REFUGEE RELIEF, REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 26 NOV 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ElyME
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975GENEVA08897
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750412-0194
From: GENEVA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t1975118/aaaaagoy.tel
Line Count: 114
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION ORM
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 STATE 270937
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ElyME
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 02 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <02 JUN 2003 by ShawDG>; APPROVED <22 OCT 2003 by ElyME>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: KURDISH REFUGEES
TAGS: SREF
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006